

BROWNSHOES IN ACTION COMIX

"THE KIND REAL AVIATORS LIKE"

SQUADRON IN THE SPOTLIGHT



THE ORIGIN OF VF-3.14 IS SKETCHY, BUT IT IS GENERALLY ACCEPTED THAT IT STARTED IN 1946 AS DET 3.14 OF THE 103RD TRANSPORT WING. THEN KNOWN AS THE "DIGIT LIFTERS" FLYING THE C-47, THE SQUADRON ACHIEVED RECOGNITION FOR BEING "PRETTY GOOD FRIENDS" WITH SOME OF THE PILOTS WHO FLEW DURING THE BERLIN AIRLIFT. (RECORDS SHOW THAT THE 'DIGIT LIFTERS' WERE TASKED WITH THE AIRLIFT BUT COULDN'T MAKE IT DUE TO MISUSE OF OPTAR.)

IN 1962, DURING THE TRANSITION TO C-130's, THE SQUADRON ACCIDENTALLY RECEIVED F-8 "CRUSADERS" AND RATHER THAN CAUSE A LOT OF TROUBLE... THE CO, WITH THE AID OF HIS ENTERPRISING COFFEE MESS OFFICER (NEW "ZAPPERS" WITHIN 48 HOURS), REDESIGNATED THE SQUADRON VF-3.14 "THE FIGHTING PI'S" (SUBMITTED BY LT LANCE "DANGER-BOY" JONES, SQUADRON PAO)

ENTER LTJG JIM "BOON" DOGGLE...



AS A BOY "BOON" LIKED TO PROVE HE WAS WILD...



"BOON" ALSO LIKED FFARP...



YEARS LATER ON A WEDNESDAY NIGHT...



ROE... BRIEF IT... FLY IT... LIVE IT!